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Honorable Commissioner for Patents

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the specification:

Page 4, first two paragraphs:

and Fig. 8 is a simplified pictorial illustration of the implanting tool of Fig. 7 advancing the transurethral prostatic implant distally off the shaft of the delivery tool, in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention; and

Fig. 9 is a simplified pictorial illustration of an implant, constructed and operative in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention, used to bolster a weakened blood vessel.

Page 6, first full paragraph:

As mentioned above, the invention is not limited to the transurethral prostatic implant 10 described previously. Rather the invention may be used as an implant in other body lumens, such as but not limited to, blood vessels and lymph vessels. For example, as seen in Fig. 9, the implant 10 may be introduced to the site of an aneurysm (where there is a weakened wall 60-of a blood vessel-62), such as by means of a catheter or by as suitable surgical technique, wherein the coils 24 of implant 10 surround the wall 60-of the blood vessel-62. Implant 10 thus strengthens the weakened wall 60-and prevents further bulging outwards of the aneurysm. In such a case, the coils 24 may not necessarily corkscrew into some tissue, rather they envelope the aneurysm and bolster the blood vessel wall-60.